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January GA Quiz 25

Directions: Study the following questions carefully and answer the questions given below.

1. On 20th January 2020, which of the following states has recently passed the Capital Region Development Authority Repeal Bill 2020?

- A. Madhya Pradesh B. Adnhra Pradesh C. Tamil Nadu
D. Maharashtra E. None of these

2. Which of the following organizations is to invest over Rs 45,000 cr to create infra for gas-based economy?

- A. ONGC B. NTPC Ltd. C. SAIL
D. GAIL E. None of these

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D. Mumbai E. None of these

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- A. 24 January B. 23 January C. 22 January
D. 21 January E. None of these

9. Disaster Mitigation And Management Centre (DMMC), Uttarakhand and which person have jointly been named as the winners of Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabhandan Puruskar?

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Correct answers:

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
B	D	B	C	B	B	D	A	C	C

Explanations:

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<http://www.newsonair.com/News?title=MP-govt-announces-incentives-for-medal-winners-in-Khelo-India-Youth-Games&id=379193>

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